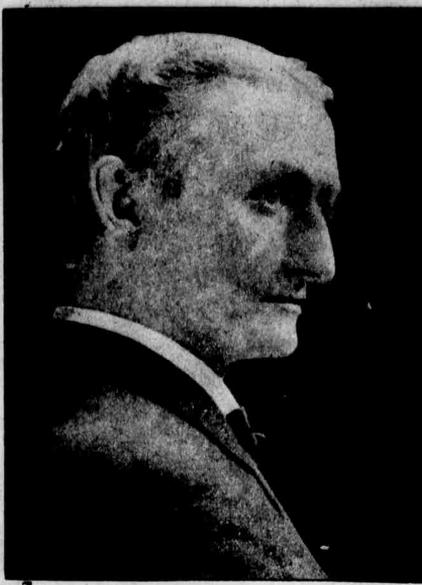
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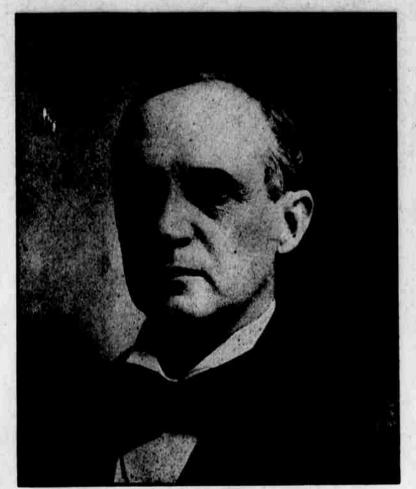
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Some Items of Interest From the Public Offices About Occurrences of the Week.

1911, given out Tuesday at a special meeting of the City Council, total \$25,648,752.57. No provision for granting increased pay to policemen, firemen or any city employes is made, Mr. Wilson having cut out the amounts necessary for these from the estimates for the departments of police and fire. In a lengthy statement accompany-

ing the estimates, Mr. Wilson says: "This fact seems to stand out most clearly: The corporate fund cannot possibly stand a general salary increase in any department."

In addition to the appropriation the council is asked to make for corporate purposes is \$535,000 for the pub-Ife library for 1911 and \$442,184.64 for the Municipal Tuberculosis Sanitarium. There is also an item of \$1,440,-000 contingent on a new bond issue provided for bridge construction.

The estimates from the Board of Education have not yet been received, but likely will approximate \$11,000,-000, it is said.

A summary of the estimates by department heads and of the City Comptroller shows the former were reduced more than \$10,000,000 by Mr. Wilson. Of this reduction \$4,600,000 came from the Police and Fire Departments. The total of the estimates of the department heads was \$35,898,313.59. This was reduced by Mr. Wilson to \$25,-648,752.57. The appropriations for cor porate purposes in 1910 were \$26,223,-670.50. Of this \$22,773,253.85 was expended, leaving a balance of approximately \$3,450,000.

For possible use in subway construction Alderman Foreman, chairman of the local transportation committee, asked \$2,000,000 and Comptroller Wilson included that amount in the esti-

during the year if use for it is found necessary for work on subways." Herbert H. Evans, secretary of the local transportation committee, explained: 'Any expenditures from it later must be authorised by the council."

The amount will be taken equally from the contributions of the Chicago Railways and the Chicago City Railway Company to the city's traction fund.

Detective Charles Flannigan de the detective bureau trusteeship of the Policemen's Benevolent Association at an election Tuesday night. Kuebler had held the office for twelve years. There is no salary attached to the office. Twenty-one delegates were chosen to attend the annual election of the Policemen's Benevolent Association to be held next Sunday in the drill hall of the Masonic Temple. At the Central Detail Station the election of Lieuten-

Estimates of City Comptroller Wal- | ant James J. O'Toole for trusteeship ter H. Wilson of the department ex- of that station was unanimous, while penditures for corporate purposes in Jeremiah O'Sullivan defeated Policemen John Reinert and J. J. McGuire for the office of trustee-at-large, Policeman H. M. Costello was unanimously elected at the election in the mounted police barns.

> A large increase in attendance marked the opening of the winter A large increase in public school term Tuesday, following the holiday vacation. Many pupils who had left their classes earlier to fill positions during the busy season, returned, crowding the rooms. A large number were assigned to classes in the evening schools. Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, Superintendent of Schools, said yesterday, that she did not anticipate that the Board of Education would have sufficient money this year to permit any increase in the salaries of school teachers.

A plan by which the Lake street bridge over the Chicago river, carrying the Oak Park elevated railway, can be replaced with a vertical double decked lift bridge, with not more than three days' interruption of traffic, was presented to Secretary of War Dickinson on Wednesday by a delegation of Chicago city officials.

The delegation consisted of Mayor Busse, Commissioner of Public Works Mullaney, Aldermen Foell and Snow. They arrived Tuesday morning and immediately arranged through Senstor Cullom for interviews with both President Taft and Mr. Dickinson. At these conferences the city officials seek to obtain a thorough understanding on the program of bridge reconstruction along the Chicago

The War Department ordered the city to remove the old center pier Lake street bridge before December "The money is appropriated solely Lake street bridge before December for the purpose of making it available 31 last, charging that it constituted an obstruction to navigation. The Department approved 210 feet as the length of the span of the new bridge.

> At the suggestion of Judge Mc-Donald, an order signed by all the Judges of the Superior Court was entered Tuesday appointing John S. Hummer a Master in Chancery to fill a vacancy. Mr. Hummer was a Master in Chancery in the Circuit Court for eight years.

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